

STATE OF MICHIGAN **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION** LANSING



MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman FROM:

DATE: November 26, 2007

SUBJECT: Approval of the Criteria for the Title I, Part A Schoolwide Planning

Grant

Title I, Part A of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation provides individual schools with a choice in the type of Title I, Part A program to operate in support of academic instruction for students with the greatest academic need. Specific requirements define each program. One of these programs, Title I, Part A Schoolwide, requires a year of planning to revise the school improvement plan and to allow for building level decisions about all funds in the school. The year of planning must be conducted by a facilitator from outside the school district and is supported by a one-time grant award of \$3,000.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the criteria for the Title I, Part A Schoolwide Planning Grant, as identified in Attachment A of the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 26, 2007.

Attachment

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Criteria for the Title I, Part A Schoolwide Planning Grant

The State Board of Education has adopted as its Strategic Goal "Attain substantial and meaningful improvement in academic achievement for all students/children with primary emphasis on high priority schools and students."

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will serve to further attain the above goal.

PRIORITIES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS THAT THESE CRITERIA SUPPORT

Title I Schoolwide programs support the State Board of Education's strategic goal by the effort to design and implement a comprehensive program that supports the achievement of all students in the school.

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BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF GRANT
☐ Competitive ☐ Formula ☐ New ☐ Continuation (check all that apply)
Title I, Part A of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation provides individual schools with a choice in the type of Title I, Part A program to operate in support of academic instruction for students with the greatest academic need. Specific requirements define each program. One of these programs, Title I, Part A Schoolwide, requires a year of planning to revise the school improvement plan, and to allow for building level decisions about all funds in the school. The year of planning must be conducted by a facilitator from outside the school district.
CRITERIA
Date criteria were last approved: New criteria.
☑ Defined in Legislation ☐ Defined in Department's Approved ☐ Proposed by Staf Grant Application to the Funder
Criteria for the Title I, Part A Schoolwide Planning Grant under Section 1114 of the No Child Left Behind legislation states:

Schools may request a schoolwide planning grant if:

- Poverty percentage is 40% or higher.
- The school has not previously applied for the grant.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS/TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY GRANT

The eligible applicant must be a school in any local educational agency (LEA) or a public school academy (PSA) with a poverty level of 40% or higher.

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE

For 2007-08, \$219,000 will be awarded to schools that meet the current criteria based on an award of \$3,000 per school.

LEGISLATION

No Child Left Behind Section 1114.

OFFICE ADMINISTERING GRANT/PROGRAM CONTACT

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